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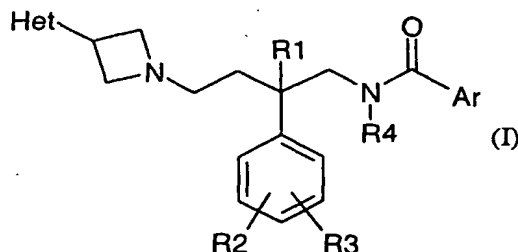
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a compound of
the general formula (I) wherein Het is an optionally substituted
4-, 5-, 6- or 7-membered heterocyclic ring having at least one
nitrogen atom; R1 is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₃-C₄
cycloalkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl or C₂-C₄ alkynyl; R2 and R3 is each
and independently selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₃-C₄
cycloalkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl, C₂-C₄ alkynyl, C₁-C₄ alkoxy, halogen
and cyano, provided that R2 and R3 may not both be hydrogen;
R4 is C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₃-C₄ cycloalkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl or C₂-C₄
alkynyl; Ar is an optionally substituted aromatic ring system se-
lected from pyridinyl; 1-naphthyl; 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1-naphthyl;
quinolinyl; 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxinyl; 1,3-benzodioxolyl;

5,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinolinyl; 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolinyl;
1-benzo[b]thiophen-4-yl; 1-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl; isoquinolinyl;
quinazolinyl; and indan-4-yl; or Ar is substituted phenyl; or
an enantiomer thereof or any salt thereof; to a pharmaceutical composition containing said compounds and to the use of said
compounds in therapy. The present invention further relates to processes for the preparation of compounds of formula I and to
new intermediates used in the preparation thereof.

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